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FOR: ATM COMMUNICATION

SYSTEM AND ATM

COMMUNICATION METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified Divisional Application, filed under Rule 53(b), as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new Claims 20-29 as follows:

--20. (New) A communication method of communicating among a plurality of

information apparatuses, comprising:

storing index information in each of said plurality of information apparatuses; acquiring index information associated with processes which can be executed on each of said information apparatuses connected to a network to transmit said index information among said information apparatuses; and